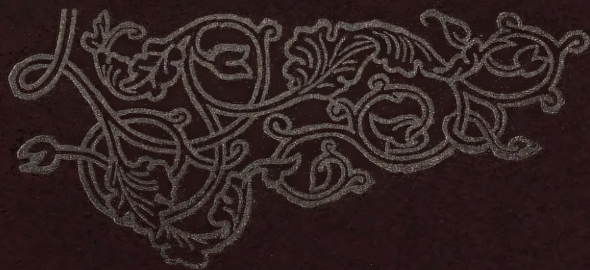




ROSES





HOW many thousands of people if asked to name their favourite Flower would answer "THE ROSE." It has perhaps been associated with pleasant memories from their earliest childhood, and to many wanderers may call up a vision of a cottage home in the dear old Motherland, where the Roses climbed over the porch, and around the windows,

of their birthplace, where the garden was scented with their perfume, and made beautiful by their presence. The Rose has held a first place among Flowers for centuries, and is never likely to be displaced. It is the emblem of sweetness and purity. The poet has written—"A Rose by any other name would smell as sweet." That is true, it would not be robbed of its fragrance, but who would be bold enough to change a name so well-beloved, a name which is the emblem of our country, which is associated with our History, a name under which men of the best blood of England have fought and died, with the Red and White Roses emblazoned on their standards. There is no lordly mansion complete without its Rose bed in the garden, no humble cottage too poor to have a Rose Tree. The Rose is everybody's Flower. Every man and woman of our race knows it by name, and prizes its possession, and wherever an Englishman goes, his home is more complete if he can include a Rose Tree among his choicest possessions. Australia is essentially a Rose country, for since the introduction of the ever-blooming varieties,

we can have Roses nearly all the year round. Many charming varieties have been introduced, and the following is a list of first class sorts supplied by an enthusiastic and experienced grower. It includes some old standard varieties which are still first of their class; all others are of special merit:--

La France. Kaiserine Augusta Victoria. Comtesse De Nadaillac. Ernest Metz. Madame De Watteville. Maman Cochet. Marie Von Houtte. Muriel Grahame. Souv. D'Elise Vardon. Souv. De Paul Neyron. Souv. De Therese Levet. Souv. De President Carnot. Sunset. White Maman Cochet. Madame Jules Grolez. Emilie Gonin. The Bride. Madame Lambard. Medea. Madame Hippolyte Jamain. Madame Elie Lambert. Souv. De Lady Ashburton. Triomphe De Pernet Pere. Perle Des Jardins. Paul Nabonnand. Hon. Edith Gifford.

They are to be obtained from Anderson & Co., Seedsmen and Plant Merchants, 399 George Street, Sydney, who have done so much to encourage the development of the ever-growing taste for the cultivation of beautiful Flowers, which has given pleasure and a healthy pastime to thousands, making their homes happier and brighter, and providing that grateful change so much needed by the weary city workers, who probably possess more brain than muscle.



